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Forecast total U.S. meat production in 2002 is raised from last month due to higher expected beef and pork production. Cow slaughter has been above earlier expectations and steer weights in the second quarter were heavy. Increased cow slaughter and large feedlot placements of heavyweight cattle in May suggest that producers may not be planning to expand herds given current forage conditions. The *Cattle* report and *Cattle on Feed* report, scheduled for release on July 19, will provide an indication of producer intentions. Hog weights remain high and are expected to boost pork production in 2002. Poultry production forecasts are unchanged from last month.

Projected pork production for the first half of 2003 is raised from last month. The *Quarterly Hogs and Pigs* report, released June 28, indicated that producers intend to have 2 percent more sows farrow in the third quarter and 1 percent more farrow in the fourth quarter. Projected beef and poultry production are unchanged.

Price forecasts are largely unchanged from last month. Hog prices are reduced slightly in 2003 in response to higher production. Turkey price forecasts for 2002 and 2003 are raised as demand for whole birds remains strong. Prices for other species are unchanged.

Source: USDA/ERS

## Chicken Prices on the Rise in Northern Mexico

El Norte, the leading newspaper for Northern Mexico, reported that prices for chicken leg quarters in Mexican border state markets have more than doubled in the last two weeks due to the AI import restrictions that the Mexican Secretariat of Agriculture (SAGARPA) imposed earlier this month on imports of U.S. poultry and poultry products. Specifically, retail prices for chicken legs and thigh meat have jumped from \$6.00 (US\$60) pesos to \$14.00 (US\$1.40) pesos per kilo, because Mexican retailers are now having to buy more national product to fill orders that would normally be comprised of US product. (Source: *El Norte*, Monterrey, 6/25/02)

## Japanese Frozen Broiler Imports (metric tons)

Month	United States	China	Brazil	Thailand	Total
<b>2001</b>					
February	3,792	10,087	10,305	8,748	33,692
March	5,199	16,413	3,732	9,946	35,290
April	6,165	18,412	8,074	9,426	42,077
<b>Year to date</b>	<b>20,371</b>	<b>64,365</b>	<b>27,699</b>	<b>37,635</b>	<b>150,070</b>
<b>2002</b>					
February	5,264	5,890	15,369	18,500	45,023
March	2,181	5,930	15,647	16,595	40,353
April	3,457	8,192	17,865	16,430	45,944
<b>Year to date</b>	<b>14,081</b>	<b>31,219</b>	<b>69,988</b>	<b>73,861</b>	<b>189,149</b>

Source: ALIC Monthly statistics

## Venezuela

The Venezuelan poultry industry has been faced with nine months of restrictions on feed ingredients, high prices for inputs, and low demand for the finished product. Wholesale poultry prices crept up a bit in March, but came back down again as supplies were not moving. Even poultry, the most inexpensive meat at half the price of beef or pork, has seen weak demand. According to sources, the real decline in consumption began in May, and there are now over 30,000 tons of meat, mainly poultry, worth around \$45 million currently in cold storage.

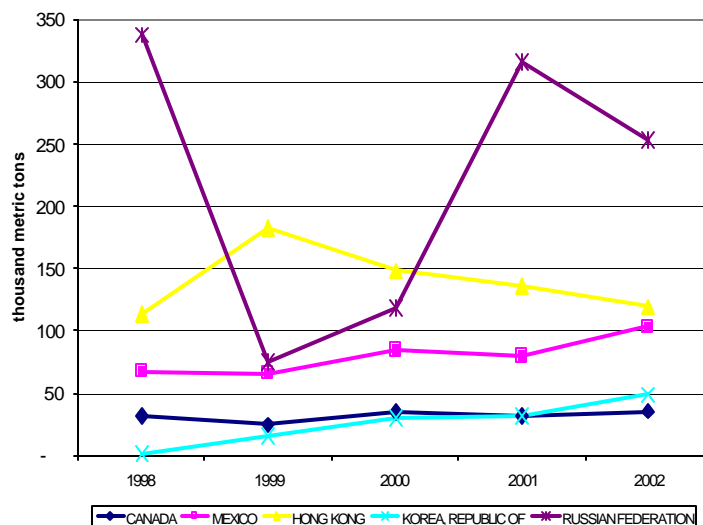
Source: USDA/FAS

## High Tech Plant to Grade and Pack Eggs in India

A modern egg grading and packing plant, the first of its kind in India, will be established in Andhra Pradesh (AP). The plant is jointly funded by Agro Corpex, an arm of the National Egg Co-ordination Committee (NECC), the government of AP and Apeida (Agricultural & Processed Food Export Development Authority). The plant will have a capacity to mechanically process 900,000 eggs/day. After grading, candling, washing and packing, the eggs can be kept in cold storage prior to being exported. This will be the only plant in India equipped to mechanically grade eggs. The state government's contribution will be in the form of leasing the land required at a low cost. The project work has not commenced, as the state government has not handed over the land identified for the project. It is hoped the plant will commence commercial operations in less than two years.

Source: International Egg Commission

## January-April Poultry Meat Exports in metric tons.



Source: Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau

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**Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade****U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

	Week Ending July 06, 2002		Year-To-Date	
	2002	2001 /1	2002	2001
Liquid	448	152	9,455	5,778
Frozen	0	0	21	78
Dried	8	0	198	40
Total	456	152	9,674	5,896

**U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

	Week Ending July 06, 2002		Year-To-Date	
	2002	2001/1	2002	2001
Liquid	165	15	2,908	2,752
Frozen	4	4	1,763	647
Dried	116	0	2,442	301
Total	285	19	7,113	3,700

**Inspected Shell Eggs****U.S. Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

	Week Ending July 06, 2002		Year-To-Date	
	2002	2001 /1	2002	2001
Jumbo	0	0	1,155	87
Extra Large	840	1,624	15,059	24,646
Large	3,433	1,847	59,359	63,188
Medium	0	210	24,877	24,778
Ungraded	0	7,320	178,285	184,190
Misc	0	1,550	11,224	45,904
Total	4,273	12,551	289,959	342,793

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION (PRELIMINARY) U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY**

W/E 6-Jul-02

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	1,137	1,037	2,174
LAST WEEK	1,572	1,582	3,154
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,449	1,237	2,686
TO-DATE/2002	48,212	35,970	84,182
TO-DATE/2001	48,237	36,251	84,488

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	208	4	212
LAST WEEK	256	0	256
SAME WEEK YR AGO	304	0	304
TO-DATE/2002	8,616	42	8,658
TO-DATE/2001	13,050	192	13,242

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, PLTRY DEVELOPMENT DIV.

**TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	1,345	1,041	2,386
LAST WEEK	1,828	1,582	3,410
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,753	1,237	2,990
TO-DATE/2002	56,828	36,012	92,840
TO-DATE/2001	61,287	36,443	97,730

SOURCE: USDA/AMS PLTRY PROGRAMS, MRKT NEWS BR.

**CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

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**CHICKEN** 12-JUL-2002  
 — PRICES — VOLUME —  
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

**CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED**

— PRICES — VOLUME —  
 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	13.00	13.00-14.00	183,600	-
WTD AVERAGE	13.00	13.71		
15-20%				
RANGE	13.00-14.00	10.50-13.00	1,765,200	326,400
WTD AVERAGE	13.33	11.48		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

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 (Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	12.00-16.75	13.50	770,000	630,000
WTD AVERAGE	16.18	13.50		
15-20%				
RANGE	11.00-15.50	10.00-15.50	1,214,000	200,000
WTD AVERAGE	12.52	12.16		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 12 JULY 2002.**

The trade sentiment on fresh tom breast meat was steady to instances weak. Demand was slow to instances fair. Supplies were adequate to instances burdensome with lower trending offering prices attracting little interest. The undertone on fresh destrapped tenderloins was about steady for the light to fair demand. Offerings adequate. The undertone on frozen white meat was steady at best for the adequate to ample offerings. Domestic bulk parts demand light, however, some increased retail interest was noted on drums. The export demand ranged slow to moderate with the best interest noted on drums at lower trending price levels. Some sellers were attempting to resist the lower frozen thigh meat bids. Trading was light on all items with domestic centered on tom drums and exports on frozen thigh meat. Grade A non-basted 12-16 lb. breasts traded 105 cents delivered domestic. For export: hen necks 15.50, tom necks 16.50, ground drum 38 cents delivered.

**FRIDAY, JULY 12, 2002****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	22.00		22.00	80	21.67	928
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	18.00		18.00	20	18.00	20
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	50.00-53.00		52.10	248	50.67	576

**THURSDAY JULY 11, 2002****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	20.00-22.00		21.06	664
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	43.00		43.00	104

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2002****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	23.50-24.00		23.72	184
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	51.50-54.00		52.66	224

**TUESDAY, JULY 09, 2002****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	22.00	104
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	52.00	80

**MONDAY, JULY 08, 2002****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	22.00	104
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	52.00	80

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.

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